



# The Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism

## **AmeriCorps Programs**

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AmeriCorps Alumni Spotlight: Phil McGrane is the elected Ada County Clerk and has been involved with almost every aspect of Idaho elections. He is highly respected in the Idaho political space and is celebrated for his analytical mind and creativity when it comes to inspiring voter turn-out. He has served as Chief Deputy in the Ada County Clerk's Office and he has also served as a law clerk to the United States Election Assistance Commission in Washington, D.C.

Born and raised in Idaho, Phil is an AmeriCorps alum, has a bachelor's degree in philosophy from the University of Washington, Master of Public Administration from Boise State and a law degree from the

University of Denver. He is member of the Idaho State Bar and the Colorado Bar Association.

In 2002-2003 Phil served as an AmeriCorps member with Habitat for Humanity in Anniston, Alabama. During his service he worked on the annual Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Project, building 40 houses in 1 week and organizing more than 4000 volunteers. He credits his time and skills learned in AmeriCorps in preparing him for his work in public service and his time working in elections.

AmeriCorps

## **2020 AmeriCorps Members COVID Response**

700



Lbs. of PPE Distributed for COVID Relief Efforts

21,000

Lbs. of Food Distributed As Part of COVID Relief Efforts

In 2020 AmeriCorps members pivoted to respond to the most pressing needs in their communities. Members with Boise State University provided needed health translation services for refugees.

Members with the University of Idaho 4-H Extension created online lessons and STEM activities for kids.

Members with Idaho State University's Institute for Rural Health assisted with the COVID-19 call center responding to mental health issues.

Members with Idaho State University worked at a local senior center where they prepared and arranged curbside pickup meals for at risk populations.







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### **Commission Activities**

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#### **SERVICE AS A SOLUTION**

Serve Idaho, the Governor's Commission on Volunteerism, exists to inspire service to build a better Idaho. We promote collaborative efforts among private and nonprofit organizations, schools, and state and local government agencies to advance national service programs and volunteerism throughout the state. Serve Idaho achieves this through the administration of Idaho's AmeriCorps grants, hosting the annual Serve Idaho Conference on Service and Volunteerism to provide volunteer management training and professional development, and through partnering with the Idaho Nonprofit Center's annual Idaho Philanthropy Day to recognize Idaho's outstanding volunteers and philanthropists. We also serve as the state leader in national days of service including Martin Luther King Jr. Day and September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance.

2020 conference

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learning, leading, serving

**150** 

**Attendees** Received **Professional Development on Volunteer Management and Engagement** 

160 Members Served In



**Idaho Communities** 





Receiving \$19.9 Million in **Education Awards Since 1994**  **51** 

**Volunteers & Philanthropists** recognized at the **Idaho Philanthropy Day Awards.** 





#### **Idaho's Brightest Star Awards**

In 2020 we recognized 71 outstanding volunteers from throughout Idaho. Pictured is Theron Case McGriff from Idaho Falls winner of the 2020 Governor Cecil D. Andrus Volunteer of the Year.